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LYNCHERS FOIL AN ASSASSIN'S RUSH FOR LIFE

Richard Puryear, the Slayer of Christian Ehlers, Mobbed at Stroudsburg

BROKE FROM HIS CAPTIVITY

And, Yet Dripping with the Ice Water of the Pocono, He Is Lynched.

NO ARRESTS ARE YET EFFECTED

By a Clever Ruse, the Colored Murderer Whom a Mob Once Before Tried to Treat to a Quick Application of Impromptu Justice, Escapes from the Monroe County Jail and Is Pursued to the Bank of the Pocono. Here, While Yet Wet from His Involuntary Bath, the Fugitive Is Overtaken and Seized, and the Next Act in the Frightful Drama Is Performed Under the Limb of a Convenient Tree—For Two Hours the Murderer's Body Sways to and Fro in the Sight of the Bloodthirsty Mob—Pieces of the Rope are Afterward Sold as Souvenirs, and the Tree Is Denuded of Its Bark, for the Manufacture of Mementoes—No Arrests Yet.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. STRONDSBURG, Pa., March 15.—RICHARD PURYEAR, the confessed murderer of Christian C. Ehlers, escaped through the hands of a bungling sheriff early this morning, was captured about one quarter of a mile from town and hanged from a tree limb until he was dead. Puryear, the murderer, was given his breakfast this morning, and it was soon after that he left the jail by the front door, having in some way made his escape from his cell into the jail corridor, and then closing the door on the sheriff.

He made a hasty retreat through the street into the outskirts of the town. The sheriff, hat off and no coat on, immediately ran in pursuit, yelling, "The murderer has escaped!" The cries of the sheriff attracted a large number of men who were on the streets at the time and all ran in pursuit of the negro, who was making towards Palmer's island, situated about one-quarter of a mile in a southeasterly direction of the jail, which is situated near the center of the town, near the island. Ben Puryear, a colored man, who was around with a revolver, joined the citizens in pursuit. The sheriff about this time concluded that he would return to the jail for his hat and coat. Ben and his associates, however, determined to capture Puryear, who was only a short distance ahead of them.

SWAMP POCONO CREEK. To make his escape good Puryear was compelled to swim across Pocono creek, which runs through Palmer's island. This he attempted to do, but the excitement was too much for him. The hot pursuit made by the citizens made his passage across slow, and he was out of the water only a short time before the crowd was upon him, and told him that if he attempted to go further they would shoot.

The frightened negro surrendered cringing. The crowd in pursuit at this time was not large, but greatly excited, and cries of "Hang him!" "Hang him!" came from the lips of nearly every one of them. It was no lawless mob who were crying for swift vengeance, but a crowd of peaceful citizens, who thought only of the terrible murder that had been committed so lately. Constable Meyers tried to reason with the excited crowd but was told that it would not be well for him to interfere. A large rope was secured from a slaughter house near by.

NO PLEA FOR MERCY. Puryear, half frozen, half crazed, looked upon the scene speechless. He had not a word to say and not once did he plead for mercy. The poor wretch did not seem to realize his position for there was no expression of fear on his face. It only took a few moments to adjust the rope and a few moments more the confessed murderer of Chuahua E. Ehlers was hanging to a stalwart tree not four squares from the borough limits.

THE BOY CUT DOWN. About 11 o'clock the body of Puryear was taken to the jail and placed in the corridor and then viewed by hundreds. Before he was removed a local photographer secured a photograph of the hanging man. Ben, the colored man who affected Puryear's capture, has received congratulations all day long from nearly everybody. A collection was taken on the spot for

Ben, he received something from nearly all and one gentleman pleased with his work handed him a five dollar note. The rope which was used to hang Puryear was sold during the day at twenty-five cents for a small piece and found a ready sale. The oak tree from which the negro was suspended is being stripped of its limbs by relic hunters. They were stopped by the owner.

THE CORONER'S JURY. After the body of Puryear had been cut down and taken charge of by the authorities, the coroner empaneled a jury and repaired to the jail. The jury heard the sheriff's account of Puryear's escape from jail and then a recess was taken until 3 o'clock in the afternoon. When the jury met at that hour one or two addresses were heard and then an adjournment was taken until tomorrow.

THE FEELING in the community is favorable to the lynchers of Puryear, and those who believe in mob law should persist in pushing the case against the lynchers. It is probable that none of them will ever be brought into court for their act. Not more than twenty men were in the crowd that hung the negro, but no one mentions any names, although it is generally known who some of the lynchers were.

MISS POLLARD'S CHARACTER.

Testimony Presented in the Famous Suit Against Breckinridge to Prove That It Was Clean.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—In the Breckinridge-Pollard trial this morning Sarah Gast, a colored woman, over whose deposition in Kentucky there was much discussion at the opening of the trial, was placed on the witness stand. She testified that ten years ago Colonel Breckinridge had begun to visit her house of ill-repute on Broad street, in Lexington, with Miss Pollard. They met there many times. At the close of her testimony she said that Colonel Breckinridge had called upon her last summer after the suit had been filed, and told her he hoped she would have nothing to do with the case, to which she had replied that she must tell the truth. The reading of Mrs. Ketcham's deposition, Mrs. Ketcham being Miss Pollard's Lexington landlady in 1884-85 and '86, was read after recess. It was known by the deposition that an attempt had been made during the examination to impeach Colonel Srope and other citizens of Lexington with Miss Pollard, but Mrs. Ketcham's answers were all to the effect that Miss Pollard had acted in a proper manner, as a chaste and good girl.

MAD DOG'S BITE IS FATAL.

One of Three Children Who Were Bitten Is Dying.

CARLEISLE, Pa., March 15.—People in the southern end of this county are wrought up over the passing of what was thought to be a mad dog. Three children, eight boys and four dogs were bitten by the dog who was killed. One of the children is believed to be dying from the bite. Nearly all the animals that were bitten have been shot.

IN OUR OWN COMMONWEALTH.

Forest fires are devastating mountains at Carleton, on the Fall Brook railroad. Frank Larocca was badly injured by a stranger while on his way to work in Reading.

Attempting to board a coal train near Mineville, John Guffy fell and was cut to pieces.

Charges of conspiracy and bribery were brought against the school board of Rapho township.

In default of bail, John W. Bismarck, who eloped with little Cora Fisher, is now in Lebanon jail.

While shifting a Northern Central car near York, Flagman James Taylor was fatally mangled.

Judge Albright, of Lehigh, is holding court in Schuylkill county, owing to the illness of Judge Cyrus L. Pershing.

Anville folks are puzzled by the actions of Rosie Kramer, who frequently, it is alleged, indulges in lengthy trances.

Homer Crawford, president of the State Dairyman's association, has purchased the Pennsylvania Farmer, published at Meadville.

By throwing red pepper in a deputy sheriff's eyes, two Pittsburg prisoners were enabled to escape, but were recaptured.

Ex-County Treasurer J. J. Gramley, a grocery dealer, of Bellefonte, was closed by the sheriff on judgments aggregating \$10,000.

WAITE ALMOST ASSASSINATED

Colorado's Populist Governor Narrowly Averts Open Conflict in Denver.

PUTS HIMSELF ABOVE THE LAW

Having Assumed to Pack Boards of City Government with His Own Favorites, He Meets with Opposition, Snubs the Courts, Orders Out the Militia, and Comes Within a Hairbreadth of Paying the Penalty of His Obstinacy with His Life.

DENVER, Col., March 15.—THE political fight waged by Governor Waite culminated today in most exciting scenes and mob violence was imminent many times during the day. Fortunately the prompt action of leading citizens in leaving their business and appearing in solid bodies to beg for time to consider the situation carefully, caused a delay that probably prevented bloodshed, rioting, and the assassination of Governor Waite. In all probability had a shot been fired, a mob would have quickly formed that had captured the governor before official assistance could have rescued him. At 6 o'clock the intelligence that the governor had called on General McCook to preserve the peace, settled all fears of a contest between the militia and the police.

From 2 o'clock until long after dark a dense mass of humanity was packed in front of the city hall and upon the streets adjacent. On Fourteenth street the First Regiment of the Colorado National Guard stood flanking the chief light artillery, consisting of four galling guns, with caissons filled with solid shot, grape and canister, and getting ammunition. Their position commanded the entire front of the hall, and at one time the militia was under motion to attack the hall when the arrival of Secretary Lorenz with message from the governor stayed the attack.

THIS WAS for a half hour's delay to permit another conference looking toward a peaceful settlement. From that time on until the United States troops were called on the most intense anxiety prevailed. All sorts of rumors floated about. The sheriff issued an order to arrest the militia and take their arms away. A friend of the deposed members of the fire and police board went out of the city hall to apply for a warrant to arrest the governor. Committees of the most influential citizens were arguing with the board, with the militia, with the governor, and with the police, but nothing was accomplished. The governor declared he would order the militia to fire upon the city hall regardless of the crowds of spectators, and the police board within as solidly maintained their position to resist attack.

The police stood with guns in hand ready to charge if necessary and Chief of Police Stone said he would die before he would surrender. Meanwhile business was suspended and the crowds gathered on every corner and upon the tops of adjacent buildings.

THE TROUBLE'S ORIGIN.

The history of this trouble dates back some weeks and was delayed because the governor preferred to wait until the extra session was called by the legislature. To understand the situation it must be known that some years ago the citizens of Denver asked the legislature to give them a new charter that would take the police, fire and public works departments out of the hands of the city board and put in the hands of the boards officers filled with popular list followers. The board of fire and police has been changed repeatedly to suit his whims. Two resisted, but the governor won his case before the supreme court, which declared that he could remove for cause. When he demanded the removal of members Martin and Orr recently they refused to go until the courts should so decide.

Governor Waite relying upon the decision of the supreme court in the fire case, did not ask of the courts how to proceed. He declared that the members had violated their trust by placing special policemen at polling houses, contrary to law, and he appointed two new members. The deposed members applied to the district court and obtained a temporary injunction to restrain the governor, the mayor and the new members from taking possession of the office of the police and fire board by force. This was objected to, but after arguments had been heard Judge Graham declined to remove the injunction. Then after several days deliberation, the governor decided to ignore the injunction, and so issued last night his order to the militia.

The troops, 430 strong, arrived at the Union depot at 5:15 by a special train from Fort Logan. The militia were sent back to the armory at 9 o'clock. General McCook ordered the troops to bivouac at the depot until morning. He has held a conference with Governor Waite.

The monster crowds are dispersing, and the police have gone on their regular beats. No violence is anticipated. No effort to cause the arrest of Governor Waite was made tonight, and hostilities have ceased.

STRIKERS ARE RIOTING.

Deputy Sheriff Hit with a Stone Returns Assault with Bullet.

EASTON, March 15.—At 6:30 this evening while a number of deputy sheriffs were escorting girls from the Standard Silk mill, Phillipsburg, to their homes, Deputy Sheriff John Keller was hit in the face with a stone. Keller discharged his revolver at the assailants. One of the girls fainted and had to be carried into a dwelling. Policeman Steiner arrested Keller, disarmed him and placed him in the lockup, to which he was followed by an excited mob making angry threats. He was afterwards liberated on bail for a hearing tomorrow. It is reported that the shot from his revolver hit a small boy.

Quay is an Inflationist. Bland's Bill to Coin a Vacuum Passes the Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—At 12:30 the Bland reorganization bill was taken up, and Mr. Quay, Wyoming, characterized the bill as the worst blow aimed at silver since the demonetization of silver in 1873. Mr. Dunsmuir, Idaho, said that he took no comfort in voting for the bill. Mr. Mitchell, Oregon, said he should vote for the bill not because he believed it went so far as it ought to go in the interest of silver as a money metal, but because it was a move on the legislative checker board in the right direction. After some further debate the vote was taken, and the bill was passed, yeas 41, nays 31. All the Populists voted yeas. When the result was announced there was hand clapping in the crowded galleries.

The Republicans who voted for the bill were Senators Dabbs, Haubrough, Mitchell (Ore.), Pettigrew, Power, Quay, Shoup, Stewart, Teller and Wolcott. The Democrats who voted against it were Senators Brien, Caffery, German, McParson, Mitchell (Wis.), Murphy, Palmer, Smith and Vilas; Hill (N. Y.) announced his pair with Mr. Dixon (R.).

THIRD VICTIM RECOVERED.

The Crushed Body of Thomas J. Jones Is Taken from the Ill-Fated Gaylord Slope.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., March 15.—A picture of gloom prevailed at the Gaylord mine this morning when word came up the shaft that a third body had been recovered. The body recovered was that of Thomas J. Jones, and it was with considerable difficulty that it was identified. When found he was lying face downward, and from all indications he had evidently started to run when the cave-in took place, and was knocked down by the fall of rock. The remains were placed in a neat casket and then removed to his late home in Plymouth, where an anxious widow and five children with sad and tearful faces awaited the arrival of their only support. His funeral took place at 4 o'clock this afternoon and the interment was made in the family plot in the Forty Fort cemetery.

The rescuing party received a setback this afternoon and tonight, which may postpone the finding of any more bodies that still remain under the rock before morning. As fast as they remove the debris, masses of loose coal come tumbling down, so that very little progress can be made.

NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR.

Professor Alonzo Williams, of Brown University, R. publican Candidate.

PROVIDENCE, March 15.—The Republican state convention today nominated Professor Alonzo Williams, of Brown University, for governor. Edward C. Dabbs for attorney general and Samuel Clark for general treasurer.

FLASHED ALONG THE WIRE.

Kansas city Republicans will meet in state convention at Topeka June 6. St. Louis police are making war on the slot machine, as violating the gambling ordinance.

Searchers are looking in Minneapolis for a \$1,000 St. Bernard puppy stolen from George Gould.

Charles Thomson and wife were killed by lightning while driving to church near Dawson, Ark.

Conservation of Rev. P. J. Donohue, of Baltimore, as bishop of Wheeling, will take place April 8.

Robert E. A. Durr, late of Philadelphia, has been made publisher of the New York Mail and Express.

Because his son was arrested for abducting a servant girl, Druggist Frank Triori, of New York, took strychnine.

George Eli Ayresworth, 93 years old, and president of the Westminster bank at Providence, R. I., has become demented.

For the loss of his steam yacht Astra, W. K. Vanderbilt gets \$300,000 from the Metropolitan company of Boston, whose steamship ran her down.

Fleeing guilty to stealing \$24,000 from the defunct St. Nicholas bank of New York, Paying Teller Lewis A. Hill was sentenced to prison for four years.

FLASHED FROM WASHINGTON.

The president yesterday signed the East river bridge bill. M. F. Corcoran was yesterday appointed postmaster at New York.

The senate has confirmed the nomination of J. H. Mullin to be postmaster at Pittston.

Promoters of anti-opium legislation in the house predict success when the Hatch comes up.

The Travelers' Protective association opposes the bill before congress to tax foreign drummers.

A bill to relieve Brigadier General J. R. Brooke of two New Mexico judgments against him has passed the house.

BOMB FIEND IS BLOWN TO DUST

The Missile Which He Intended for Others Proves His Destruction.

CHURCH DOOR'S LUCKY LUNCH

He Hurts the Weapon from His Grasp Before His Plot Has Ripened, and the Many Lenten Worshippers at the Parisian Church of La Madeleine Are Preserved from a Frightful Scene—The Victim Proved to Be a Noted Anarchist, and a Favorite Disciple of Ravachol.

PARIS, March 15.—At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon a bomb was exploded just inside the main door of the church of the Madeleine. The report of the explosion was so loud and far reaching that most people thought at the time that another explosion had occurred in the chamber of deputies, but this notion was quickly dispelled by a rapid spread of accurate information as to its locality.

JERKED BOMB FROM POCKET.

The Abbe Le Rebours, who is attached to the church of the Madeleine, was standing near the inner swinging doors when the explosion occurred. His version of the affair is this: The man carrying the bomb had passed through the main entrance with the stream of worshippers who were pouring into the church and was about to pass the swinging doors. He had his hands in his coat pockets. One of the doors was closed by a person passing through, rebounded violently and struck the man on the arm. The blow upon his arm caused him to jerk his hand from his pocket and with it came the bomb, which fell upon the floor.

The cause of the explosion, which hurled persons near by in all directions. When sufficient order was restored to enable an investigation to be made the body of the man who had carried the bomb was found lying just outside the swinging doors. His clothing had been torn to shreds and his entrails were protruding from a great hole in his abdomen. The most of which had blown away and was scattered about the space in the lobby, while the walls, the floor and the clothing of many who stood near were bespattered with blood and fragments of the man's flesh. Upon examination of the horribly mutilated body a number of nails and bits of iron, with which the bomb had been charged, were found embedded in the flesh and in the abdomen.

WAS A NOTED ANARCHIST.

The man was miserably clad and had few articles in his pockets. Upon the body was found a pocket book, which contained a number of clippings from newspapers, together with photographs of the anarchists Ravachol, Vaillant, Leperne and Raynal. The man arrested have been arraigned before a magistrate and are now undergoing examination.

THE BODY OF THE DEAD MAN HAVING BEEN FULLY EXAMINED, THE PERFECT OF POLICE EXPRESSED HIS BELIEF THAT THE BOMB THROWER WAS NOT OTHER THAN THE NOTORIOUS ANARCHIST PABARDY, WHO WAS REPORTED TO HAVE PLANNED THE RECENT BOMB EXPLOSION IN THE RUE ST. JACQUES, ON WHICH OCCASION THE LANDLADY OF THE SMALL HOTEL WHICH WAS THE SCENE OF THE EXPLOSION, WAS KILLED.

TWO MINERS KILLED.

Another Fatally Injured in an Accident While Engaged in Conversation.

WILKES-BARRE, March 15.—John Stanley, Michael Probkoskie and John Bruden, employed in the No. 4 shaft of the Kingston Coal company, were standing alongside of a platform near the head of the plane this afternoon in conversation with each other. Cars of coal were being hoisted at the time, and not thinking of the danger ahead they were caught.

MIKE KELLY CONSULTED.

The two former were instantly squeezed to death, the latter was fatally injured and cannot recover.

EASTERN MAGNATE PAT POWERS WANTS ALLENTOWN IN EASTERN LEAGUE.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., March 15.—Patrick Powers, president of the Eastern League, visited Allentown today for the purpose of inducing the local ball club of which Mike Kelly is manager to join the organization. Nothing definite was arrived at.

TWO YOUNG ELOPERS.

The Groom is Very Young and Escapes His Mother's Vigilance.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., March 15.—Lillian Hornberger, a comely miss of 25 years, and William Welser, a youth of 17, last night eloped; the vigilance of the latter's parents and eloped to Philadelphia.

The pair had been frustrated earlier in the day by the boy's mother, who soundly lectured the couple and sent the groom prospective to his home.

ADVICES FROM HAWAII.

President Dole's Plans for Constitutional Convention of Many Nationalities.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 12.—The steamship Mari, one arrived here this morning from Honolulu, bringing advices from Hawaii up to March 8. At

the cabinet council on March 7 President Dole submitted plans for a constitutional convention. The convention shall consist of eighteen members of the present council, and an equal number of elected delegates. It shall be summoned by proclamation of the president. Every resident of Hawaiian, American or European citizen, shall be entitled to vote under the usual former qualifications, if domiciled for one year, registered and sworn.

THEY DON'T WANT MUCH. Alleged Heirs to Sue for \$50,000,000 Worth of Property.

COLUMBUS, Ind., March 15.—Heirs of Daniel A. Randolph, a Revolutionary soldier, who owned eighty acres of land, now in the heart of the city of Philadelphia, declare that by the expiration of a ninety-nine year lease they have come into possession of the property. It is said to be worth \$50,000,000.

BIG JOE'S SUIT MISCARRIES.

Judge Woodward Holds That a Mining Engineer is a Co-Employee. Case to Be Appealed.

WILKES-BARRE, March 15.—The case of Joseph Matuskowitz, better known as "Big Joe," who brought suit against J. C. Hayden & Co. a few days ago for \$25,000 damages resulting from his incarceration in the jail for nine days for nineteen days without food, was taken from the jury this afternoon and a verdict for the defendant ordered by Judge Woodward.

It was shown at the trial that Joe agreed to exonerate the company from the payment of all claims in consideration of \$25,000. The judge gave binding instructions to end for defendant company on the ground that damage was caused by the negligence of A. J. Wolensdorf, mining engineer, whose survey and map was inaccurate, and he was a co-employee. Some of the jurors protested against the ruling, but as the case was taken out of their hands, the protest was unavailing.

It is said the case will be taken to the supreme court, as it furnishes one of the best tests of the present mine law ever brought into the courts for decision. The question whether a mining engineer is a co-employee of a miner or laborer, is an important one, and if Judge Woodward's ruling is upheld, it will be very difficult in future to secure a verdict in suits for damages against coal companies.

INFORMED HE IS DEAD.

The Pension Department Tells Veteran Sprague That He Is.

AURORA, Ill., March 15.—Mrs. Julia L. Sprague, of this city, has just received the startling information from the Pension department at Washington that she is a widow, and that, therefore, the pension claim of her late husband cannot be allowed.

About three years ago her husband, Horatio S. Sprague, a member of the Second Massachusetts infantry applied for a pension under the act of June 27, 1890, he being then totally and permanently disabled. Ample proof of disability, service and distinction were filed. This was the last heard of the application until last night, when Sprague, who is alive, but disabled, received word that he is dead and hence his claim is rejected.

DEMOCRATS DAMAGED THE BILL.

Their Unwise Suggestions for Changes to Administrative Features.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The senate finance committee consumed all of the morning hours in a discussion of the administrative features of the tariff bill. The Republicans say they expect to be able to show that the Democrats have damaged the whole bill by the changes in the administrative features they have suggested, and hope that certain amendments which they today pointed out will be made.

Nothing was said as to the time when the bill would be reported or when the debate would begin after the measure reached the senate.

FIRE ON NORTH MAIN AVENUE.

The Grocery Store of Mrs. Ellen Morton Quoted.

At 11:30 last night fire was discovered in the rear of the grocery store of Mrs. Ellen Morton on North Main avenue, West Side.

It burned fiercely for a time, and before the firemen obtained control of it the interior of the store was gutted and the stock destroyed. The loss is covered by insurance.

Mrs. Morton is at present visiting at Denver, Col. The origin of the fire is unknown.

IRON WORKS RESUME.

Two Blast Furnaces Started and More to Follow.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., March 15.—No. 2 blast furnace of the Bethlehem iron company was started up tonight, after having been idle for a year. Employment is given to 100 men. No. 6 furnace will start up shortly.

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA.

Fear of prosecution will force Der Sozialist, an Anarchist organ, of Berlin, to leave Germany.

King Humbert, of Italy, celebrated his fifteenth birthday in much state, holding a grand review of troops.

Socialists in the reichstag declared vehemently that they would not vote a cent to build a monument to Emperor William I, but the appropriation was ordered.

WEATHER FORECAST.

RAIN. WASHINGTON, March 15.—Forecast for Friday: For eastern Pennsylvania, rain, probably followed by fair by noon variable winds.

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